

## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

PCT/CH2004/000260

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER  
 IPC 7 A61L9/12 A61L9/03

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 A61L

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the International search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal

## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 6 361 752 B1 (DANES IMRE J ET AL) 26 March 2002 (2002-03-26)	1
A	column 9, line 37 - line 54; figure 9	2
A	US 2003/005620 A1 (ZOBEL FRANCO ET AL) 9 January 2003 (2003-01-09) paragraph '0046! - paragraph '0048!; figures 8,9	1,2
A	US 3 746 255 A (SURLOFF B) 17 July 1973 (1973-07-17) column 1, line 35 - line 62; figure 2	1,2

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

## \* Special categories of cited documents:

- \*A\* document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- \*E\* earlier document but published on or after the International filing date
- \*L\* document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- \*O\* document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- \*P\* document published prior to the International filing date but later than the priority date claimed

- \*T\* later document published after the International filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
- \*X\* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
- \*Y\* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, each combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art.
- \*Z\* document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

9 July 2004

Date of mailing of the international search report

20/07/2004

Name and mailing address of the ISA

European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2  
 NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk  
 Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl,  
 Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016

Authorized officer

Katsoulas, K

# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

International Application No  
PCT/CH2004/000260

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
US 6361752	B1	26-03-2002	AT 230616 T	15-01-2003
			AU 758871 B2	03-04-2003
			AU 5035000 A	05-12-2000
			BR 0010727 A	19-02-2002
			CA 2374014 A1	23-11-2000
			DE 60001166 D1	13-02-2003
			DE 60001166 T2	17-07-2003
			EP 1178842 A1	13-02-2002
			ES 2185596 T3	01-05-2003
			JP 2002543929 T	24-12-2002
			TW 534821 B	01-06-2003
			WO 0069479 A1	23-11-2000
US 2003005620	A1	09-01-2003	TW 537909 B	21-06-2003
			WO 03003826 A2	16-01-2003
US 3746255	A	17-07-1973	NONE	